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MANAGING COMMITTEE.

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RULES AND REGULATIONS

OF THE

HAMILTON CLUB.

1. This Association shall be known as the Hamilton Club.

2. Politics and religious questions of all description shall be excluded from the objects of the Club.

3. Each candidate for admission shall be proposed by one member and seconded by another, by a proposal in writing, stating the candidate's usual residence, rank, profession or other description, which shall be inserted in the book of candidates, and signed by both mover and seconder, and such candidates shall be balloted for at the next ballot, which shall take place after the lapse of two weeks from the time of such proposal.

Provided, the names of the candidate and his proposer and seconder have been posted in the Reading Room under the hand of the Secretary, at least two weeks before the day of ballot. No ballot shall be valid, unless fifteen members actually ballot,

and one black ball in five shall exclude. No candidate who shall have been rejected shall be eligible to be proposed again within twelve months. No person shall be admitted a member unless of the full age of twenty-one years.

4. A list shewing the names of the persons eligible to be balloted for on that day, shall be exhibited in the Reading Room on each day on which a ballot is to take place. The ballot shall take place between the hours of twelve, noon, and six P. M. on the first and third Saturdays of each month, and each member voting shall write his name on a card to be provided for that purpose, and such card shall be placed by such member in a separate box; and the Secretary, or in his absence two members of the Committee, shall open the ballot box and declare the result; and any member may vote by proxy at such ballot, such proxy, being a special proxy, given for such vote, only. Should less than fifteen ballots be cast the candidate shall be again balloted for on the next Saturday on which a ballot is held, and so on each succeeding Saturday on which a ballot is held, until fifteen ballots shall be cast.

5. On the admission of each new member the Secretary shall notify the same to him, and furnish him with a printed copy of the Rules and Regulations, and request him to remit the amount of his entrance fee and subscription to the Treasurer.

6. The entrance fee shall be one hundred dollars, and the annual subscription twenty dollars; the latter payable in advance on the first day of June in each year. The subscription of new members bolloted for on and after the first day of July shall be a sum equal to two dollars per month until the first of June following.

7. No member shall be allowed to ballot for a candidate, or be permitted to vote on any occasion whatever, or enjoy any of the privileges of the Club, who has not paid his entrance fee, or has been in arrear for his annual subscription for six weeks.

8. Any member failing to pay his entrance fee or subscription within six weeks from the time the same shall become due, if he resides in Canada, shall be reported to the Committee by the Secretary, who shall cause his name to be erased from the list of members unless the delay can be justified to the satisfaction of the Committee.

9. The name of every member failing to pay his annual subscription by the first day of July, shall be exhibited in the Club Room.

10. All entrance fees and annual subscriptions shall be paid either to the Treasurer personally or to his credit at the bank of the Club.

11. Any member who may be absent from Canada during the whole period for which the annual subscription is payable, may be considered a super-

numerary member, and be exempt from subscription during the continuance of such absence; but any member availing himself of this indulgence, must notify the same by letter to the Secretary, who shall insert his name in the book of supernumerary members. Any such member shall be re-admitted to all his privileges, upon his return being notified in writing to the Secretary, and such notification to be given within one month after his return to Canada, and upon payment of his subscription for the current year; and failing in such notification and payment within the time before limited, unless the delay can be justified to the satisfaction of the Committee, such member shall be considered to have withdrawn from the Club.

12. The Committee shall have the power to admit to the privileges of the Club, as visiting members for such period as they may from time to time see fit,—The Governor General of the Dominion, the Lieutenant Governors of the Provinces of the Dominion, the Judges of the Superior Courts of the Province of Ontario, and any stranger of distinguished rank or position visiting Hamilton, to whom it may seem proper to offer such a compliment, but the resolution to admit them must be agreed to by a majority of the Committee.

13. Officers in Her Majesty's Army and Navy, and all persons holding civil and military appoint-

ments under the Imperial government who may be stationed in Canada temporarily, shall be admitted to the privileges of the Club on payment of the subscription semi-annually in advance; and also such strangers as may be temporarily resident in Canada, whose names shall have been previously submitted to and approved of by the Committee, shall be admitted in like manner, after having been duly balloted for and elected in the manner pointed out for the election of ordinary members

The above shall be called privileged members, and shall not be entitled to vote or have any voice in the management of, or hold any interest in the property of the Club. The temporary residence of such strangers not to exceed twelve months, after which period having been re-elected by ballot, they may on payment of full entrance fee, become regular members. But should they leave Hamilton permanently before the expiration of six months after having paid such entrance fee, they shall be entitled to receive back one half of it.

'13*a*. Officers of Chartered Banks having Branches or Agencies in Hamilton, and who are not settled residents thereof, may, during their temporary residence in Hamilton, be admitted to the privileges of the Club after having been balloted for and elected in the manner pointed out for the election of ordinary members and on payment of a subscription

of forty dollars per annum in advance. Such members shall be called privileged members, and shall not be entitled to vote or have any voice in the management of, or hold any interest in the property of the Club in right of such membership.

14. Any ordinary member shall have the privilege of introducing a friend resident elsewhere than in Hamilton, or within ninety miles thereof, for a period not exceeding one month, provided the name of such person has (with the written recommendation of two ordinary members) been submitted and approved of by the Committee, and the person so admitted shall thereafter be a privileged member of the Club for one month, subject to such regulations as the Committee may from time to time prescribe.

15. All privileged members whose terms of subscription shall have expired, whether resident in Hamilton or otherwise, shall be considered as retaining their membership if they continue to make use of the Club, and shall be held liable for their subscription half yearly, in advance, as usual.

16. All members of such other Clubs as the Committee may from time to time designate, whose usual place of residence shall be distant thirty miles from Hamilton, shall be eligible for election as members of this Club, and on election shall be entitled to all its privileges (except that of voting,

having any voice in the management, or holding any interest in the property of the Club) on payment of thirty dollars in advance, per annum, and without payment of any entrance fee, provided such Club or Clubs extend the like privileges of this Club. The ballot to be dispensed with as regards the members of those Clubs extending the like courtesy to the members of this Club, and in such case the introduction by a member of the Club and the sanction of the Committee shall alone be necessary.

17. Any member at his sole expense shall have the privilege of introducing a friend into the Club to breakfast, lunch or dinner, provided the name of such friend be first inscribed in the Guest Book.

18. Any member whose dues are all paid shall be at liberty to withdraw from the Club, on his written application to that effect, sent to the Committee before the annual meeting of the Club.

19. Any member who shall withdraw, resign, or be expelled, or whose name shall be erased from the list of members for any cause in accordance with the regulations of this Club, shall cease to be a member of the Club, and shall forfeit *ipso facto* all right or claim thereon, or in or to its property or funds except in respect of any debt the Club may owe him for moneys advanced or lent to the Club; and any member who shall beexpelled shall forever

thereafter be ineligible to be re-admitted a member of the Club.

20. All affairs of the Club shall be managed by a Committee to consist of nine members, who shall be elected by ballot at the Annual General Meeting of the Club, and shall thereafter from their number elect by ballot a Chairman and appoint a Secretary and Treasurer, or one person to hold both offices, as they think best; and the said Committee shall have full power to make such regulations for the conduct of the business entrusted to them, and all other matters consistent with these General Rules and Regulations as they shall think fit, and to alter and amend the same from time to time as they shall see fit, and shall record such regulations and amendments in a book to be kept for that purpose for the information of the members.

21. If any member elected to serve on the Committee resign, or a vacancy occur, the Committee shall have power to choose a qualified member to act in his stead until the annual meeting next ensuing.

22. The Committee shall meet at such periods as they may deem expedient to transact current business and to audit the accounts, and three shall be a quorum.

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24. There shall be a general meeting of the Club on the third Tuesday in June in each succeeding year, for the purpose of electing the Committee for the succeeding year, at which meeting it shall be the duty of the Committee to present a report and abstract of the state of accounts and general concerns of the Club for the past year, together with an estimate of the receipts and disbursements of the current year, which report and estimate shall be printed and distributed amongst all the members at least one week before such annual meeting. Notices of any motions to be brought up at the annual meeting shall be left with the Secretary at least fourteen days before such meeting; and no proposal of which such notice has not been given shall be entertained at such meeting,and all such notices shall be posted by the Secretary in the Reading Room of the Club at least one week before the day of such meeting.

25. The annual financial statement of the year shall distinctly shew the total amount of revenue that should be received from members subscribing for the year, and the net amount of subscriptions paid up, together with the balance due for subscriptions for the year; further, that the amount of subscriptions due be also shown, and the names of the members by whom they are due.

26. The annual statement shall show the amount of assets and liabilities of the Club; and the accounts of the Club when presented by the Committee shall be audited by two members (not being members of the Committee) who shall have been appointed by the Club at the last preceding General Meeting of the Club, and the auditors already elected shall audit the accounts for the current year.

27. The Committee shall have power at all times to convene an Extraordinary Meeting of the Club on giving seven days' notice, to be posted up during that period in the Reading Room, specifying the object of such meeting in the form of a resolution, at which meeting no subject shall be discussed beyond that specified in the notice. Country members to be notified by circular.

28. The Committee on being requested in writing by twenty members of the Club, shall call a general meeting, giving a week's notice thereof (such notice to specify the object of the meeting) by posting the same in a conspicuous place in the Reading Room, and notifying the Country members by circular.

29. A quorum of fifteen qualified members shall be necessary to constitute any annual or special meeting of the Club.

30. The Club shall be open every day for the reception of members at 8 o'clock in the forenoon,

and shall be closed and the lights extinguished at ONE A. M., except on Saturdays and Sundays, when the hour of closing shall be midnight; and no member shall be admitted into, or remain in the Club after these hours, on any pretence whatever, unless specially authorized by the Committee.

31. No member shall on any pretence, or in any manner whatsoever, receive any profits, salary or emolument from the funds of the Club, except the Secretary or Treasurer, if a member of the Club be appointed to those offices or either of them; nor shall any member give any money or gratuity to any of the servants of the establishment, upon any pretence whatever. It being understood that this rule is not intended to preclude any member of the Club from selling property or goods, or stocks, or other money securities to the Club, or buying any of the same from the Club.

32. No member shall take away from the Club, upon any pretence whatsoever, any newspaper, pamphlet, book, map or other article, the property of the Institution.

33. No servant of the Club shall be sent out of the house on any errands on any pretence whatever, unless sent out on Club business by a member of the Committee, or to post letters at stated periods, or to call a cab from the nearest cab-stand.

34. Any cause of complaint that may arise is to be written and signed by the member so complaining, in the Complaint book established for that purpose, or by letter to the Secretary, which complaint must be specially noticed by the Committee, at their weekly meeting; and any overcharge, inattention or improper conduct on the part of a servant is to be stated by letter, under the signature of such member, which being put into the Secretary's box must be laid before the Committee at their next weekly meeting.

35. All members are to pay their bills for every expense they may incur in the Club before they leave the house.

36. No game shall on any account be played for money, except ecarte, whist, picquet, euchre, billiards and pool; nor dice used in the Club Room except at backgammon.

No higher stakes than quarter dollar points shall be played for at whist, nor shall any bet exceed one dollar.

The games of ecarte, whist, picquet, euchre, billiards and pool, may be played for limited stakes, the limits to be fixed by the Committee, and the Committee shall have power to fix a limit to the hours during which cards shall be played in the Club, and to make such regulations in respect thereof as circumstances may hereafter call for.

Any member deviating from, or committing any breach of the foregoing regulation shall be liable to expulsion, and the mode of proceeding shall be as provided for in Rule 40.

37. The privileges of the Billiard and Card Room shall not be accorded to guests of members unless they have dined at the Club. The charges for cards and the use of the billiard tables shall be fixed from time to time by the Committee.

38. Smoking shall not be permitted in the Reading Room or in the Dining Room except on the occasion of house dinners, and then only after the removal of the cloth.

39. No member is on any account to bring a dog into the Club.

40. Any member wilfully infringing the Rules and Regulations of the Club, or being guilty of conduct unbecoming gentlemen, shall be liable to suspension from all the privileges of the Club on a vote of two-thirds of the whole Committee, subject to an appeal to a general meeting of the Club, to be called by the member suspended, within one fortnight after he has received notice of the resolution of suspension ; and if such notice is not given, or if the suspension is sustained at the general meeting so called, the member so suspended shall be considered to be expelled.

41. Any article of these rules may be altered, amended or suspended for any length of time, or any new rule or regulatian introduced, by consent of two-thirds of the members present at any meeting specially convened for that purpose, provided such alteration, amendment, saspension or new rule, shall have been specified in the notice summoning such meeting.

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HAMILTON, 16th June, 1875.

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LIST OF MEMBERS

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1ST JUNE, 1875.

Atkinson, Isaac.
Ambrose, William.
Brown, Adam.
Buchanan, Isaac. Hon.
Bell, John.
Browne, Edward.
Billings, John.
Bruce, John M.
Barry, John.
Bruce, Alexander.
Baker, Hugh C.
Bickley, F. P.
Barker, Samuel.
Benner, Richard
*Burns, J. M.
Brydges, C. J.
Burton, Warren F.
Christie, Thos.
Cross, W. H.
Counsell, Charles M.
Corsan, Thomas.
Calder, John.
Cameron, Charles.
*Clouston, Edward S
*Colquhoun, E. A.
*Cooke, William.
*Crawford, Geo. S.
Davidson, Charles.
Findlay, William F.
Furner, George H.
Gates, Frederick W.
Gillespie, George H.
Greer, D. George.
Glassco, John T.
Gillard, W. H.
Grant, Robert.
Glassco, William H.
Gillies, David.

Gibson, John M.
Gurney, Edward.
Hespeler, Jacob.
Hendrie, William.
Hammond, Herbert C.
Harvey, Alexander.
Hope, Adam.
Hope, Charles J.
Harvey, John.
Hebert, Martyn C.
Howard, George H.
Howard, James.
Hope, R. Knight.
Irving, Æmilius, Q.C., M.P.
Irving, H. Erskine.
Kerr, Thomas C.
Kennedy, Reginald.
Lucas, R. Allan.
Lottridge, J. M.
Leggat, Matthew.
Laidlaw, William.
Leslie, John P.
Livingstone, N. M.
Lindsey, Walter J.
Murray, Alexander,
McGivern, William.
Mason, John J.
Martin, Edward.
McInnes, Donald.
McInnes, Alexander.
Macpherson, Thomas H.
McLaren, Henry.
Murray, Charles R.
Macdonald, Walter R.
MacKenzie, John I.
Macpherson, John.
McKay, Æneas D.
MacKelcan, F.
Macpherson, Malcolm.
McElderry, F.
Mills, Samuel.
*Munro, William.
Nash, Samuel.
Osler, B. B.
O'Reilly, Miles, Q.C.
O'Reilly, J. Edwin.
Papps, George S.
Park, John H.
Proctor, John.
Powis, William.
Parkes, James.
Routh, H. W.
Ramsay, Alexander G.
Riddel, John.
Robertson, Thos., Q. C.
*Ramsay, Alex. C. O.

Simpson, James.
Stark, William G.
Stuart, John.
Stinson, H.
Saunders, Thomas.
Swinyard, Thomas.
Sanford, William E.
Smart, W. L.
Staunton, F. H. L.
Turner, James.
Turner, Alexander.
Turner, J. T.
Wallace, William.
Watson, James.
Wood, Andrew T., M. P.
Walker, W. F.
Young, John.
Young, Thomas.
Young, John B.

Privileged Members, under Rule 13 A.